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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

APPENDIX A

DATE 6-5-79

FULL NAME Gene Judson Souder  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 4842 D TOWER ROAD

CITY Greensboro STATE N.C. ZIP CODE 27410

DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONALITY \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION Computer Programmer

EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT 185 HEIGHT 6' 1" (approx) RACE Caucasian

COLOR OF HAIR Black COLOR OF EYES \_\_\_\_\_

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED OR SINGLE DIVORCED CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

WIFE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
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WAS A PROFESSIONAL SCOUTER IN RICHMOND, VA.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: NOT AVAILABLE SUGGEST YOU CHECK  
CARDX IN PERSONAL

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

SEE ATTACHED! These were verified!

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

NOTED  
OCT 15 1979  
JOSEPH L. ANGLIN

Signed [Signature]  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE  
Council [Signature]

October 17, 1979

Mr. James L. Roberts  
Scout Executive  
General Greene Council, No. 418

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gene Judson Sowder

Dear Jim:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director  
Registration & Subscription Service

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April 19, 1979

Mr. James L. Roberts  
Scout Executive  
General Greene Co. No. 418

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gene Judson Sowder

Dear Jim:

In response to your letter of April 13, and the enclosed details we are enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet.

We would appreciate your completing this record sheet, and returning it to us as soon as possible. This information will help us identify this individual should he again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely,

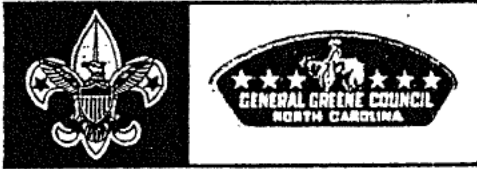
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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

April 13, 1979

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Registration and Subscription Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Dear Paul:

The attached complaints were provided at our request after a verbal complaint by parents regarding the possible behavior of one Gene Judson Sowder. This situation was handled by me in the following manner:

1. March 30, 1979. Mrs. [REDACTED] came to our Service Center and demanded something be done to protect her son. Our Exploring Executive tried to calm her, and asked her to give us until Monday to check it out.
2. April 2, 1979. Field Director called parents and asked for written parental complaint.
3. April 3, 1979. The attached complaints were brought to the Service Center.
4. April 3, 1979. Scout Executive shared problem with Scouting Coordinator of Post #2360, sponsored by Burlington Industries.
5. April 4, 1979. Scout Executive and Field Director met with Personnel Manager and Post Committee Chairman at Burlington Industries to strategize methods to handle the situation. Burlington Industries felt that they could do little or nothing because of current state of the law protecting an employee in non-job performance related areas. Two alternatives seemed apparent, a) legal action on the part of the parents, or b) direct contact with the leader by Scout Officials.
6. April 4, 1979. Scout Executive and Field Director met with Mr. Sowder and informed him of the complaints. Outcome:
  - A. Mr. Sowder is not registered now.
  - B. He has agreed not to attempt to register.
  - C. He is a former Professional Scouter at Richmond, Va.
  - D. He has agreed to withdraw from all activity in the Explorer Program.

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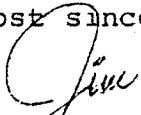
E. He agreed to go to the Post Committee Chairman and so state his withdrawal.

7. April 4, 1979. Spoke with Post Committee Chairman. Mr. Sowder has withdrawn.

8. April 5, 1979. Field Director called parents involved, and explained the above. They have agreed to abide by the agreement as is, without further action on their part.

Paul, I know you try to keep track of these kind of things, so I am forwarding the written complaints to you for your determination, as to how best to handle.

Most sincerely,



James L. Roberts,  
Scout Executive

cc: James B. Bocock, Council President  
Archie R. Crain, Area Director, Boy Scouts of America

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Enclosure

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April 2, 1979

To Whom It May Concern

We hereby state that the incidents listed in the attached letter have occurred to either one or both of us, or have been witnessed by either one or both of us:

[REDACTED]  
Greensboro, N. C.  
Phone # [REDACTED]  
Age: 15 years

[REDACTED]  
Greensboro, N. C.  
Phone # [REDACTED]  
Age: 14 years

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April 2, 1979

To Whom It May Concern

We wish to lodge a formal complaint against one Gene Judson Sowder, 4842=D Tower Road, Greensboro, North Carolina. At present he is a Cobol and Computer Programming Instructor for the Explorers Club, Burlington Industries Division, West friendly Street.

We hereby submit the following list of incidents that have come to our attention following conversations with our sons.

1. Said instructor offered a massage to [REDACTED] and became angry when the offer was refused.
2. Said instructor tried to kiss [REDACTED] one evening and made a grab at his private parts.
3. Said instructor tried to get [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to his apartment by stating he had a computer and other instructional material there that he would let them use.
4. An offer was made to show [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] his X-rated collection at his apartment.
5. Instructor stated "he could go either way, but his personal preference was male".
6. Offers were made to pick [REDACTED] and/or [REDACTED] up at the Four Seasons Mall or any other place they cared to name in order to provide transportation to said instructors apartment.
7. [REDACTED] constantly reminded that he didn't "call" said instructor.
8. Advances were also made to one [REDACTED] but we have no knowledge of what they were as we are not personally acquainted with the boy, and our sons tell us that he has not confided in his parents.
9. Said instructor informed boys if they were ever caught doing anything wrong, i.e., stealing, etc, they should simply deny it.

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As deeply concerned parents we urge that this man be removed from his position as instructor immediately, and never be allowed to have any type contact with minor children in the future. It is my understanding that he was to start another training program in the near future. I do not know if it was to be at Burlington Industries or not. If it is, I sincerely hope you will refrain from allowing this man in a position where he can harass other children.

[REDACTED]  
Greensboro, North Carolina  
Phone # [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Greensboro, N. Carolina  
Phone # [REDACTED]

Mr Ernst,

Please advise. This  
man was a Prof. at  
one time.

Called Gene in Pers  
but they do not have  
info. on this man.  
on the gene and contact

Age. YES  
VERY WEAK by me  
6/14

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Greensboro, N. C.  
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Age: 14 years

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[REDACTED]  
Greensboro, North Carolina  
Phone # [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Greensboro, N. Carolina  
Phone # [REDACTED]

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